

NATIONAL T. P. A. CONVENTION.

Members of Asheville Post and the Business Men Making Preparations to Entertain 5,000 Delegates First of June.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Jan. 18.—At a dinner given by Frank R. Hewitt, president of Post T. P. A., at the Swannanoa Hotel Saturday night, plans looking to the entertainment of the national T. P. A. convention were discussed and assurances given by representative business men that everything would be done looking to the entertainment of the big gathering.

Much of the evening was devoted to a discussion of plans for the entertainment of the convention. It was stated that the national T. P. A., which comes May 21st for a week, will bring approximately 5,000 visitors. It was also stated that the board of trade and the Retail Merchants' Association have already appointed committees, while Mayor Campbell stated that a committee from the board of aldermen would be appointed at the next meeting of the board.

District Passenger Agent James H. Wood, of the Southern Railway, said that it was the wish of the railway that the convention come here, though several of the larger cities were trying to get the convention to their city. Frank Paunline, of Post F, declared that many ladies were expecting to attend the Asheville convention.

NEW STATION FOR WADESBORO.

Work Will Begin Within Next Thirty Days on Handsome Union Passenger Station to Replace the Shabby Now Being Used.

Special to The Observer.

Wadesboro, Jan. 18.—Wadesboro is to have a new union passenger station and that soon. The present shabby station, which has long been a disgrace both to the two railroad systems that use it and the people of Wadesboro, is to give place to a handsome and well-equipped station which both the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line will occupy. The plans for the new building have been approved by the Corporation Commission and are in the office of Mayor J. J. Brock. The new building will be 81 feet long and 41 feet wide, with the waiting rooms, ticket office, toilet rooms and baggage room all under the one roof, which will project and thus protect the passengers while entering and leaving the cars. The new station will differ from the present one, and the baggage room will be at the west end of the building just opposite the present baggage room. The white waiting room will be at the opposite end. The new station will be on the platform opposite the white waiting room and thus avoid the crossing at the present freight depot of the Atlantic Coast Line.

Mayor Brock deserves the credit for the coming of the new station and has worked unceasingly for the success of the effort, and now the end is in sight. Work will begin within the next month.

MYSTERY STILL UNSOLVED.

Officers of Two States Working on Fayetteville Case—Skinner Traced to Rocky Mount.

Special to The Observer.

Fayetteville, Jan. 18.—The police of North and South Carolina are still investigating the mystery caused by the finding near the Atlantic Coast Line track in this city of the blood-stained clothing containing papers of Asa Eddie Skinner, Jr., and the capture of the negro, Paul Vinson, of Atlanta, wearing trousers corresponding to the bloody coat, but the only development so far came today when the chief of police of Bishopville, S. C., Skinner's home, and where the coat found by the track was made, telegraphed Chief Monaghan, of this place, that he had traced Skinner to Rocky Mount, where the missing man was four days before the supposed murder. Nothing of his whereabouts since that time has been discovered.

DOG BITES YOUNG LADY.

Asheville Teacher Attacked While She is on Way to School.

Special to The Observer.

Asheville, Jan. 18.—Miss Frances Suttle, a member of the public school faculty, was attacked by a dog while on her way to school this morning and severely bitten. The dog, after jumping at Miss Suttle and sinking its teeth into the flesh, ran off. It is feared that the animal was mad. It came up behind the school teacher and without provocation sprang at her. Miss Suttle went to a physician and had the wound cauterized. The police were notified, a description of the dog and every effort is being made to capture the animal and take its head to determine whether or not it had hydrophobia.

Miss Suttle is the fourth victim this month of mad dog bite in this town, and another crusade against dogs running at large will probably result.

Chester's New Hotel Now Open.

Special to The Observer.

Chester, S. C., Jan. 18.—The Carolina Inn, Chester's new hotel, situated on the corner of Main and Wylie streets, is now open for business, the first meal having been served Sunday evening to a large number of guests. Proprietor Robt has a beautiful place, everything being convenient and up-to-date, and those who have stopped with him are wearing a service all that can be desired, and service is all that can be desired, and it is believed that the Carolina Inn is going to be of great value to the city, which has wanted a modern and convenient hotel for so long.

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THE WEATHER.

Washington, Jan. 18.—Forecast: North Carolina, fair Tuesday, Wednesday increasing cloudiness and warmer, light variable winds.

Alabama, fair Tuesday, with warmer north and west portions, Wednesday increasing cloudiness and warmer, light variable winds.

Mississippi, fair and warmer Tuesday, Wednesday threatening and warmer, light variable winds.

Louisiana, increasing cloudiness with probably rain by Tuesday night and Wednesday, rising temperature, light variable winds.

East Texas, partly cloudy Tuesday and Wednesday with possibly rain in east and south portions, warmer Tuesday except in extreme south portions, light variable winds.

Virginia, increasing cloudiness and warmer Tuesday, Wednesday threatening weather and warmer, light variable winds shifting to southeast and south.

South Carolina, Georgia, west Florida, fair Tuesday and Wednesday, light variable winds.

East Florida, partly cloudy Tuesday and Wednesday, light variable winds.

Oklahoma, partly cloudy and warmer Tuesday; Wednesday fair.

Arkansas, increasing cloudiness and warmer Tuesday; Wednesday fair.

Tennessee, partly cloudy Tuesday and Wednesday; rising temperature.

Kentucky, increasing cloudiness and probably unsettled Tuesday and Wednesday, rising temperature.

West Virginia, increasing cloudiness and warmer Tuesday, Wednesday threatening and warmer with possibly rain or snow.

LOCAL OFFICE U. S. WEATHER BUREAU. Charlotte, Jan. 18.—Sunrise 7:30 a. m.; sunset 5:47 p. m.

TEMPERATURE (in degrees). Highest temperature 53. Lowest temperature 34. Mean temperature 44. Excess for the day 42. Accumulated excess for month 4. Accumulated excess for year 62.

PRECIPITATION (in inches). Total for 24 hours ending 8 p. m. 0. Total for the month 1.37. Accumulated deficiency for month 1.19. Total deficiency for year 1.19. Prevailing wind direction N. E. W. J. BENNETT, Observer.

THE UNION NATIONAL BANK OF CHARLOTTE, N.C.

Sealed Proposals

Sealed proposals will be received by the undersigned up to noon February 4th, 1909, for the construction plumbing and heating of a group of three buildings at the State Hospital for the Insane at Morganton, N. C., also for heating and plumbing ten buildings at the State Hospital for Insane at Raleigh, N. C., and heating four buildings at the State Hospital for Insane at Goldsboro, N. C.

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